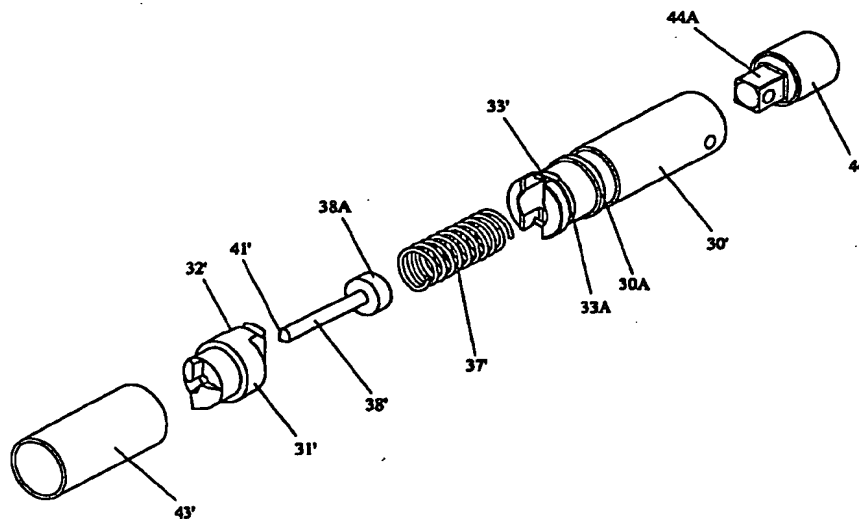


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(57) Abstract

The invention concerns a tool for removing fastening members, such as nuts and studs. The tool comprises an elongate body member (30') with first and second ends, the first end having means (31') for deforming an end face of the fastening member to provide an area of purchase thereon; and means (44) to cause rotation of the fastening member to unscrew the fastening member from the structure. Also within the scope of the present invention is a locating means (38') for locating the first end of the body member (30') with respect to the end face of the fastening member as well as a method for enabling removal of fastening members by action upon an end face of a fastening member.